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TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash in the Treasury March 1st, 1876,	\$355 89
" Received of State Treasurer,—Railroad Tax,	1 24
" " Savings Bank Tax,	9 44
" " Literary Fund,	27 90
" " Jacob Eaton, grass at Pool and Beach,	80
" " Lemuel O. Hatch, grass on Burying Grounds,	1 00
" " Rent of Town House,	18 50
" " From County for support of Paupers,	159 00
" " for Pews in Town House, and old Lumber,	19 10
" " from Warren A. Woodman, Collector for 1875,	380 00
" " " " " " int., 1875,	27 13
" " " " " " 1876,	3304 87
" " " " " " int., 1876,	7 80
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	\$4312 67

EXPENDITURES.

NOTE AND INTEREST PAID.

Paid Elizabeth B. Eaton, Note and Interest,	\$732 20
" Barnard School Fund, interest on Note,	150 00
" Abner J. Wiggin, " "	58 40
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	\$940 60

SCHOOLS.

Paid Joseph Follansbee, Prudential Committee, Dist. No. 1,	\$277 71
" Moses J. Eaton, " " " 2,	213 52
" John C. Evans, " " " 3,	120 17
" Schooling of B. A. Currier's child in Dist. No. 3, Newton,	8 00
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	\$619 40

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid Eliza F. Currier for board of Mary A. Jones,	\$53 00
" Thomas Sawyer for board of children of S. E. Ring,	106 00
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	\$159 00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Jacob Eaton for 2000 feet Bridge Plank,	\$36 00
" Surveying, and Bridge Stone,	1 00
" John C. Evans, 186 feet Bridge Plank,	3 72
" William W. Acan for labor on Chase road,	4 30
" Anson Gile, " "	1 00
" O. H. F. Delaware, breaking snow paths in Dist. No. 6,	1 00
" B. A. Currier, " " "	4, 4 80
" W. F. Currier, " " "	4, 1 00
" B. F. Hill, " " "	6, 6 00
" Joseph Stockman, " " "	6, 1 80
" A. J. Currier, " " "	4, 1 80
" S. M. Prescott, " " "	2, 7 15
" Eli Beede, " " "	3, 32 80
" Frank O. Towle for labor on highway, "	3, 1 00
" Non-Resident Highway Orders,	43 09
" Newell Boyd for Plank,	3 81
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	\$150 27

ABATEMENTS.

Paid Abatements on Taxes for 1875,	\$2 93
" " " 1876,	8 89
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	\$11 82

BURYING GROUND.

Paid Frank O. Towle for Land,	\$30 00
" John C. Evans, ninety-six Locust Posts,	19 20
" Newell Boyd for Lumber,	38 82
" W. E. Biddle & Co., for Lumber,	27 30
" Chas. Wing & Co., Nails and Hasps,	3 39
" Chas. F. Savory, building Fence,	16 50
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	\$135 21

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid John Paige, services as Town Clerk,	\$24 00
" F. B. French, services as Superintending School Com.,	15 00
" Oliver H. F. Delaware, services as Sexton,	6 00
" Oliver H. F. Delaware, care of Town House,	5 50
" A. J. Currier, services as Treasurer,	20 00
" " " " Selectman,	20 00
" " " " Overseer of Poor,	5 00
" " " House Room and Stationery,	12 00
" " " One day to Exeter,	1 50
" " " purchasing Stove, and setting up,	1 50
" " " three days on Road cases,	3 00
" " " selling Pews in Town House,	3 00
" " " paying County Tax,	1 50
" " " one day to Concord to pay State Tax and settling accounts with State,	7 00
" " " three days to Exeter to settle County claims,	4 50
" " " calling extra Town meeting,	1 50
" George W. Fitts, services as Selectman,	20 00
" " " two days on Road case,	2 00
" " " calling extra Town meeting,	1 50
" " " one day to Exeter to get Weights and Measures sealed,	1 50
" F. O. Towle, services as Selectman,	20 00
" " " two days on Road case,	2 00
" " " calling extra Town meeting,	1 50
" Warren A. Woodman, services as Collector,	40 00
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	\$219 50

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid George W. Currier, printing Town Reports for 1875,	\$18 00
" George E. Lane for Town Officers' and Blank Books,	7 65
" Wm. D. Bartlett & Son for Stove for Town House,	6 00
" Chas. Wing & Co., for Zinc for Town House,	1 33
" County Tax,	686 97
" State Tax,	676 00
" J. B. Rodgers, printing Posters,	1 50
" " " " Tax Bills,	2 00
" Betsey Goodwin for land taken in widening highway,	30 00
" B. R. Jewell " " "	10 00
" E. C. Eastman for Pamphlet Laws, 1876,	1 00
" Dennett & Stearns for Glass and Putty for Town House,	2 87
" O. H. F. Delaware, repairing Burying Ground Fence,	1 00
" C. F. Savory for repairs on Town House,	4 00
" N. H. Brown, sheep killed and damaged by dogs,	11 70
" Richard Fitts, " " " "	7 30
" George W. Goodwin, Plow damaged on highway,	3 00
" Ephraim Clifford, support of watering trough,	3 00
" Joshua Getchell, sealing Weights and Measures,	1 45
" Isaiah F. Purinton, acting for Sexton,	2 00
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	\$1476 77

STATEMENT OF THE FINANCES OF THE TOWN.

Paid Notes,	\$ 700 00
" Interest on Notes,	240 60
" Support of Schools,	619 40
" Support of Poor,	159 00
" Highways and Bridges,	150 27
" Town Officers,	219 50
" Abatements,	11 82
" Expense of new Burying Ground,	135 21
" Miscellaneous Expenses.	1476 77
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	\$3712 57
Whole amount committed to Collector for 1876,	\$3724 87
" " paid in by Collector for 1876,	3304 87
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Amount due from Collector,	\$420 00

DOG TAX ACCOUNT.

Amount of Dog Tax for 1875, uncollected March 1st, 1876,	\$17 00
“ “ assessed for 1876,	23 00
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	\$40 00
Dog Tax abated, 1876,	\$4 00
“ collected for 1875 and paid in,	11 00
“ “ 1876 “	8 00—23 00
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Amount uncollected,	\$17 00

THE TOWN OWES NOTES IN FAVOR OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

Barnard School Fund,	\$2500 00
Abner J. Wiggin,	800 00
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	\$3300 00

THE ASSETS OF THE TOWN ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Due from Warren A. Woodman, Collector for 1875,	\$100 00
“ “ “ “ “ 1876,	420 00
“ United States Bounties,	914 80
“ judgment against J. M. Heath,	462 77
And interest from April 28th, 1871,	161 97
Cash in the Treasury,	600 10
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	\$2659 64

RECAPITULATION.

Whole amount of Indebtedness,	\$3300 00
“ “ Assets,	2659 64
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Present Town Debt.	\$640 36
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Town Debt last year,	\$1652 34
“ present year,	640 36
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Decrease of Town Debt,	\$1011 98

ANDREW J. CURRIER, Treasurer.

APPROVED BY THE SELECTMEN.

ANDREW J. CURRIER,	}	Selectmen
GEORGE W. FITTS,		of
FRANK O. TOWLE,		South Hampton.

The undersigned have examined the foregoing Treasurer's account, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

JACOB EATON,	}	Auditors.
RUFUS F. DOW,		

SCHOOL REPORT.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Prudential Committee—JOSEPH FOLLANSBEE.

Teacher—Miss NELLIE J. SANBORN, of Kingston.

Money appropriated, \$277 71. *Length of School*, 32 weeks.

The success of Miss Sanborn in teaching this school in former years, as has been so well commended by my predecessor, has been fully maintained during the present year.

The school presented a good appearance, and good improvement made in the studies pursued. The labor of Miss Sanborn with this school, as shown at the closing exercises, was gratifying to your Committee, and must have given pleasure to the parents and citizens present.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Prudential Committee—MOSES J. EATON.

Teacher—Miss ELIZA J. WEBSTER, of East Kingston.

Money appropriated, \$213 52. *Length of School*, 29 weeks.

This was Miss Webster's first teaching in this district or town, and we are pleased to say she has proved an excellent teacher. Under her instructions the pupils made rapid progress in their studies. For steady, hard work, she ranks above the average of teachers. This school contains the most advanced scholars in town, and the exercises at the closing examination reflected much credit to the pupils and honor to the teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Prudential Committee—JOHN C. EVANS.

Teacher—MRS. SARAH E. PARKER, of this town.

Money appropriated, \$120 17. *Length of School*, 24 weeks.

Mrs. Parker closed her fifth year in this district in the presence of a good number of parents and friends.

This school, under Mrs. Parker's care, did excellently, although the numbers have been small, and most of the scholars of that age when they are apt to be uneasy and roguish, and it requires tact, ingenuity and patience for success.

Mrs. Parker has been faithful to what has been committed to her care, and has accomplished a good work during the year.



Our schools have been fortunate, the past year, in having good, efficient teachers, who have been earnest and faithful, and a creditable advancement has been made by the pupils. We have also been unusually free from all disturbing causes, and the relations between parents, teachers and pupils, have been harmonious. The Registers have been faithfully kept by the several teachers.

The whole amount of money expended for the support of schools the past year, was as follows: Money raised by the town, \$591 50; Literary Fund, \$27 90. Total, \$619 40. Of this amount, \$8 00 were paid to District No. 3, Newton, for the tuition of Charles W. Currier, son of B. A. Currier, agreeably to the vote of the town.

ROLL OF HONOR.

NOT ABSENT DURING THE YEAR.

ARTHUR ABBOTT,	GIDEON W. EVANS,	S. ISABEL JEWELL,
MARILLA M. BEEDE,	HARRY W. EVANS,	KATIE A. SOMERS.
SALLIE J. EVANS,	ADDIE F. EATON,	CHARLIE JEWELL.
JOHN N. EVANS,	GRACIE E. PRÉSCOTT,	

NOT ABSENT FOR ONE TERM.

WILLIE F. AUSTIN,	R. FRANKLIN DOW,	CLARA J. MILES,
JOHN H. AUSTIN,	HERBERT D. HAM,	SARAH J. MILES,
C. LILLIAN DOW,	HENRY J. HUTCHINS,	MILAN D. PAGE.

For statistical information I refer to the Table appended to this Report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FREDERICK B. FRENCH,

Superintending School Committee.

South Hampton, February 28th, 1877.

TABULAR STATEMENT,

Showing Length of Schools, Number of Scholars, Average Attendance, Teachers' Wages, etc., for the year 1876.

	DISTRICT NO. 1.			DISTRICT NO. 2.		DISTRICT NO. 3.	
	First Term.	Second Term.	Third Term.	First Term.	Second Term.	First Term.	Second Term.
Length of Term in weeks, - - -	11	11	10	11	18	10	14
Whole number of Scholars, - - -	27	32	24	17	17	9	10
Average Attendance, - - -	20	27	18	16	15	9	9
Instances of tardiness, - - -	11	7	16	6	47	19	2
Instances of dismissal, - - -	20	28	6	30	46	23	2
Scholars not absent one half day, - - -	6	6	4	9	2	7	6
Teachers' wages per month, - - -	32	32	32	26	28	22	22
Visits by School Committee, - - -	2		3	2	3	2	1
Visits by citizens, - - -	6	1	50	5	30	12	13
Scholars attending to Reading, - - -	27	32	22	17	17	9	10
“ “ Spelling, - - -	27	32	22	17	17	4	4
“ “ Penmanship, - - -	14	18	14	13	13	4	4
“ “ Arithmetic, - - -	14	22	17	14	14	4	4
“ “ Geography, - - -	8	8	9	12	10	3	3
“ “ Grammar, - - -	6	6	4	6	6		
“ “ Composition, - - -	6	6	4	7	7	1	1
“ “ Book-Keeping, - - -	2	3	1	4	4		

